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# VIEWS OF TREMONT STREET, BOSTON.

## I.

### TREMONT STREET IN 1798.

View from the corner of West street, towards Boylston street, showing, in the left foreground, the brick wall of James Swan's estate, in the Washington Gardens; next beyond, on the south corner of West street, the old Hay Seales; next, marking the corner of Mason street, Hatch's Tavern, with Frothingham's carriage shop in the rear; and, next, the Haymarket theatre [1796–1803]; in the right foreground, the old wooden fence of the Common, and the West street gate; beyond, the Common, with a glimpse of the bay through the trees of the mall; and, marking the south corner of Boylston street, now occupied by the Hotel Pelham, the mansion-house of William Foster, and his land, part of which was bought for the Common burying ground.

Reproduced from a water color by Robertson, size 9 x 13, which belonged to John Howard Payne, was bought at the sale of his effects by John Foster, of New Jersey, formerly of Boston, and from him purchased, for the Boston Public Library, in September, 1871.

## II.

### TREMONT STREET, LOOKING NORTH, ABOUT 1800.

View from a point south of West street, towards King's Chapel, showing, at the left, the Tremont street mall of the Common, with the wooden fence, and the arch where is now the West street gate; at the right, the brick wall enclosing the James Swan estate, and a slight outline of buildings beyond.

Reproduced from a water color, presented to the Boston Public Library in 1875, by William W. Greenough and seventeen other citizens. Said to have been painted by a daughter of General Knox, perhaps in 1800, certainly before 1806. Formerly belonged to the late Miss Catherine Putnam.

## III.

### TREMONT STREET IN 1800.

Two views.

*a*. Tremont street, from Court to Bromfield street. East side. Showing houses of William Powell, Ezekiel Price, Rufus G. Amory; King's Chapel burying ground; King's Chapel; and, at the Bromfield street end, house of Miss Betsey Deblois.

*b*. Tremont street, from Hamilton place to Boylston street. East side. Showing the Massachusetts Bank; house and garden of John Andrews, north corner of Winter street; houses of Thomas Thompson, Mr. Cole, Mr. Ballard; Mrs. Swan's house and garden, extending to West street; Master Webb's school house; the Hay Scales; Hatch's Tavern; Haymarket Theatre; and houses of Mr. Butler and Jos. Head.

From a picture now in the room of the president of the Common Council, City Hall, drawn from the recollection of Solomon D. Townsend, M.D.; a photograph of which was presented to the Library in 1869.

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## IV.

### COLONNADE ROW.

From West street south. Originally a uniform range of twenty-four brick houses, built in 1811 [Charles Bulfinch, architect], and "occupied by the *élite* of Boston society. Each house had, or was intended to have, a row of free-stone columns, in front, supporting a piazza, — hence the name. In 1824, after the visit of Lafayette, Amos Lawrence, and other occupants of the row, petitioned to have Colonnade row called Fayette place; but it failed to receive official sanction, though it continued to be so called by the residents." — [Drake's Landmarks of Boston.]

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## V.

### RUINS OF THE WINTHROP HOUSE.

On the north corner of Boylston street, where now stands the Masonic Temple. Burned, with Masonic hall adjoining, on the night of April 5, 1864. The first house in the block north of the building was occupied at the time of the fire by Bishop Eastburn.

## VI.

### TREMONT STREET BEFORE THE WIDENING, 1869.

Eight views.

*a.* Looking south from Boylston street. Showing the Hotel Pelham and a corner of the Public Library building at the extreme right; at the left, marking the south corner of Boylston street, a portion of the John Quincy Adams mansion-house, and the birthplace of the late Hon. Charles Francis Adams.

*b.* Looking north, from Eliot street.

*c.* Looking south, from Eliot street.

*d.* Looking north, from Hollis street.

*e.* Looking south, from Hollis street.

*f.* Looking north, from Pleasant street.

*g.* Looking south, from Warrenton street.

*h.* Looking north, from Warrenton street.

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## VII.

### REMOVAL OF HOTEL PELHAM, 1869.

Two views of the work at the time of the widening of Tremont street, when this building was raised bodily and moved about fifteen feet westward, along Boylston street, without disturbing the occupants or disarranging the interior; a feat which occasioned much remark at the time, as it was the first instance of the moving of such a large mass of masonry.

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## VIII.

### OLD UNITED STATES COURT HOUSE.

North corner of Temple place. Originally the Masonic Temple, built 1830–32. Occupied by the Federal Courts from 1859 to 1885, when it was remodelled for business purposes. It was constructed of stone, the high basement and the door and window frames of hammered granite, the main walls of Quincy granite; granite battlements and pinnacles surmounting the square towers on the front.

## IX.

### TREMONT STREET, FROM COURT STREET TO THE COMMON.

From "A grand panoramic view of Tremont street, Boston, east and west sides, from Court street to the Common," in Gleason's Pictorial and Drawing-room Companion, Boston, July 30, 1853.

Four sections.

*a.* West side, from Park street to the Albion [hotel], on the north corner of Beacon street, showing the Paddock elms on the walk in front of the Granary burying ground, long known as Paddock's mall, from Adino Paddock, who set out the trees about the year 1762. They were finally removed by the city in 1873.

*b.* West side, from the Pavilion, adjoining the Albion to Reed's music store.

*c.* East side, from Pierce's store on the corner of Court street, to Bromfield street.

*d.* East side, from Bromfield street to Winter street.

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## X.

### TREMONT STREET, FROM COURT STREET, SOUTH.

From "A view of Court and Tremont streets, Boston, with the new iron building," in Gleason's Pictorial, July 5, 1856. Showing the east side, as it then appeared, from Samuel S. Pierce's grocery, on the Court street corner, occupying, in part, the house in which Washington lodged during his visit in 1789 (which stood until 1883), to Horticultural building. The "new iron building," on Court street, next below S. S. Pierce's, was built on the site of the parsonage house of Brattle square church.

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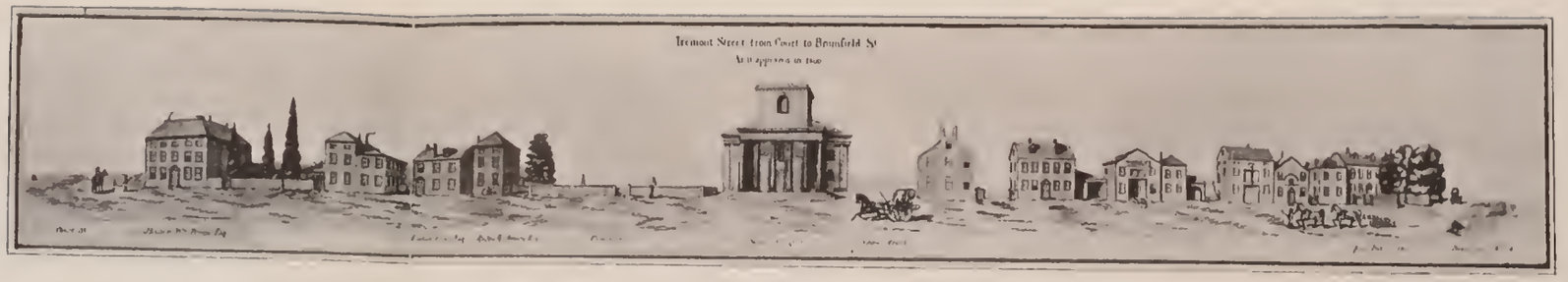


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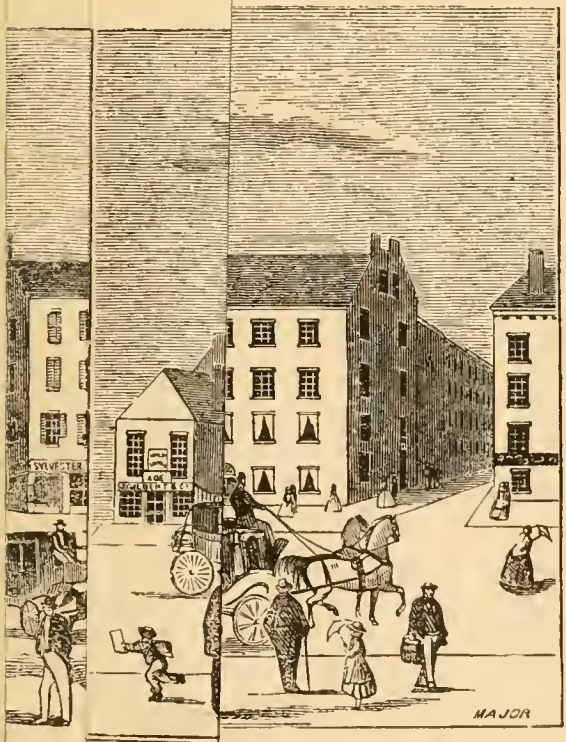


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IX.—TREMONT STREET FROM COURT STREET TO THE COMMON

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